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COMMENTS REGARDING REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

This communication is in reply to the Examiner's comments regarding allowable subject matter on pages 3 and 4 of the Office action dated April 27, 2006 in the above-referenced patent application. No extension of time petition or fee is required to accompany this communication.

In the Examiner's comments referenced above, the Examiner implies that the allowance of claims 2 and 12-21, and the allowability of claims 4, 5, 8, 9, and 23 in the present application are based upon certain recited features of claims 4, 5, 8, 9, 12 and 23. However, the Applicant respectfully submits that the Reasons for Allowance set forth only some of the features and elements of claims 2, 4, 5, and 7-25, and only represent some of the reasons why these claims are allowable. The Applicant respectfully submits that a number of other features, elements, and functional relationships claimed in claims 2, 4, 5, and 7-25 provide additional and different bases for allowance of the claims.

The Applicant respectfully submits that each of claims 2, 4, 5, and 7-25 are separately patentable based upon the combinations of features, elements, and relationships thereof claimed in claims 2, 4, 5, and 7-25 rather than upon any one feature, element, or sub-combination of features and/or elements as suggested in the Examiner's comments on pages 3 and 4 of the April 27, 2006 Office action.

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